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The bores on the new cotton crop estimate experts are beginning to open.

The white bigamist has no show in Mississippi, that is if he sticks to his own color.

It is not all of life to be happy yourself, but by far more commendable to be able to make others happy also.

The operators in the coal fields want to adopt the Golden Rule, while the labor unions stand for the eight hour rule.

As a general rule throughout the country, tax returns are to be worn shorter this season, by the "better" classes.

The good people of Mississippi have cause for congratulating themselves that the day of convention manipulations are a thing of the past.

The Populists and Democrats of Texas are holding joint discussions on the issue of a poll tax, the Democrats favoring and the Populists opposing it.

A scientific writer advances the idea that editors should not eat too much. Thanks, for the admonition, as a prosperous turn in affairs might cause an indiscretion.

The next polar expedition will in all probability carry with it a wireless telegraph instrument, so that it will not be so difficult to find by those who go in search for it when lost.

Another flying machine man is looking the world over trying to find a man that will put up \$25,000 to see him enabled to break his neck, the ultimate result of all balloonists.

Japan is modernizing on the American plan rapidly. It has not only established the Australian ballot system, but also the American system of buying votes. A swift pace for annexation.

A Wisconsin man recently died from over-eating himself on corn from the cob. It is lucky for the fellow that he removed the corn from the cob before eating it, else his death might have been more horrid.

Ever notice how much more the average man busies himself when trying to regulate some other man's business than when he gives strict attention to his own? Perhaps you can get a good glimpse of the difference by a slight review of yourself.

The gigantic strike among the coal miners is becoming very serious, and almost every day some one is shot that order may be maintained in the sections where the walking delegates are determined that their places shall not be taken by other workmen.

If you happen to see something which you would like to possess but can't obtain, cheerfully go away and forget it. It can, only make your life more miserable to moan of the things you have not, and by so doing you will often lose the things you have.

The Postmaster-General has taken off the bridle and will hereafter permit postmasters to take part in political matters as they see proper, but it is to be supposed of course that their work shall be in line with that which the administration desires to have go.

Barring the fact that John Sharp Williams is quite a man and worthy of a re-election to congress, he is nevertheless under obligations to the newspaper gang at Jackson, headed and bossed by the Governor's brother-in-law, for its combined opposition in the primary election.

It is a mistaken idea that a man can have moral and religious proclivities in his private life, but is not required to carry them with him when he enters politics. It is this sort of mixing that drags down the average in morals and religion. The church undertakes to manage politics and gets its fingers in the dirt.

General Alger is entering the senatorial campaign in Michigan, with both heads knocked out of one of his largest barrels, and the chances are that there will be a scramble for seats in the legislature not before witnessed in many a long day. The politician with legislative aspirations somehow always smells a gold leaf odor when some man like the ex-secretary of war shines his caster into the senatorial ring.

The trusts do not seem to be worrying very much over the persistent assaults made upon them by the public press and the speakers representing about every political party on earth. So long as they control the makers of the laws, as well as the department that enforced them, the balance of the people may howl, politicians may use them as a straw man to shoot at, and the trust will go right along transacting business at the old stand.

If there is no politics in Teddy's trip to Mississippi, his tools at Jackson are making him look like it. The Governor, whose goose is certainly cooked for any further political job at the hands of the state, is now turning his eyes toward some Federal appointment, and the President will be shown a good time.

People who wonder why litigation is always of the endless chain variety may find something to relieve their minds by recalling the fact that lawyers make most of the laws, and it is but natural that they should keep an eye on the fact that they may not always be legislators, and likely to return to the practice.

If one half of the efforts and expense put forth to keep alive creeds which have long since lost every semblance of usefulness, were turned to an endeavor to make the world see some of the pleasures of life now denied so many, there wouldn't be half the demand for sermons on the question of hell fire and damnation.

Some one has been mean enough to suggest that Sam Small's last temperance lecture, in Vermont, when he was carried from the stage in a beastly state of intoxication, was one of the most effective lectures he has ever delivered. Sam rises and falls like the true lusher that he is, and in spite of his short comings, is admirable for his repeated success in rising after taking a plunge.

It is really amusing to see the editor of the Clarion-Ledger squirm under the criticisms made of his todying attitude toward the state house gang, since his appointment as world's fair commissioner. But his justification is so weak that it would not delude a ten year old school boy. The for-or-against policy of the Clarion-Ledger makes little difference inside or outside of Jackson.

As the time for the opening of the schools arrive, those in charge of school properties should be vigilant in seeing that everything is in readiness. Repairs should be made, healthful and comfortable as possible. The throwing together of so many precious little ones demands the most careful attention of those in charge. Surroundings have much to do with the progress made by the scholar.

The 3,000 employees of the New Orleans street car lines are given an opportunity to subscribe for the preferred stock of the company under very favorable circumstances, with a view of interesting them in the business of the enterprise by enlisting them as profit sharers in the corporation, and thus securing from them better attention to business and to the interests of all. This is not an entirely foolish move on the part of the managers.

There will come a time when churches will quickly annul the membership of an individual who uses the cloak of professed religion to further his own nest, and when that day comes, it will strike some of the men wearing the cloth as well as laymen. There isn't much genuine religion in a minister, who, holding on to a pulpit from which he has resigned, till he can get another place, on discovering that he is to receive no pay from the date of his resignation, announces that there will be no preaching next Sunday.

It is enough to make any thinking man smile to contemplate the Republican party of the South. Here in Mississippi, there are not enough of the white members to fill the Federal offices, and since the negro is practically eliminated from the ballot, there is little scramble between them, but over in Alabama, where there are Lily Whites, just now when there might be some show of building up a decent organization, the few leaders get into a row between themselves and are doing so much dirty work that a decent negro would not associate with either faction.

Some of the best editors in Kansas, and men who have always stood firm for the Republican party, are admonishing their readers to scratch the nominee for state treasurer, but to stick to the party on the balance of the ticket. The better policy would be to take the Republican party by the slack of the pantaloons and toss it once more into the rubbish pile for having nominated a man for the treasury whose record as a defaulter is unquestioned in his home county, and then being too cowardly to force him off the ticket in the name of common decency.

Candidates for Governor of Mississippi are developing fast, but some of the gentlemen, who have been looked upon as fairly strong, are not developing the strength they hoped to show at the crack of the first gun. That primary law, which forces the fellows before the people direct, is not as promising of dirty work as was the old system of a delegate convention where a few could put their heads together and name a candidate, no matter whom the people wanted. The present state administration is a decaying relic of that old system.

One of the most atrocious crimes ever committed in this section of the South was recorded at Corinth on Friday last. While a man named Whitfield, who is a workman in a factory, was at his post of duty during the afternoon sometime, a fiend entered his home a mile from town, where his cultured and handsome wife was alone, assaulted her and killed her, mutilating the body in the most frightful manner, leaving her dead on the floor with no living witness to tell how it was all done. Evidences in the room showed that there had been a desperate struggle made by the woman, before her life was sacrificed. From that hour to this the entire community has been wild in the mad search for the vile wretch. Several arrests have been made on suspicion but nothing definite has been obtained. Sunday the court house was filled with people in mass convention seeking to secure a clue. One white man named Billy Williams, has been arrested, as has also one negro named Henry Robinson. It is claimed that some one saw the former washing blood from his shirt. Every effort is being put forth to stay the hand of violence so long as there is any doubt as to the guilt of the accused, but the community is determined to wreak vengeance on the guilty party if the slightest opportunity presents. The murdered lady was highly respected and was handsome and educated. She was well known in Memphis, where she lived for many years.

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It is a cold day when they can't find something in Kansas to cause the newspapers of the country to talk and the people to wonder. Recently the skull of a man was found beneath the earth's surface many feet, which scientists allege has been buried all the way from ten thousand to a million years. The claim is advanced that the skull is a preserved relic of a prehistoric man and estimate its time of interment at from 40,000 to 60,000 years. The scientific thinkers of the globe are of course set to thinking seriously over the matter, because it has already been pretty well defined that Kansas is situated somewhere

near the spot where Adam is supposed to have found Eve in the garden of Eden, playing base ball with some of the rotten apples that had fallen from the trees. This skull must naturally have been buried there before our present recognized first parents appeared on the scene, to set the pace for our short-comings and that rasping appetite for fruits which make life short and the preservation of the body after the dissolution more difficult than it must have been before the first sin was committed.

The safest conclusion is that neither happiness nor goodness is determined by any particular industrial, political, religious or social position, but almost entirely by the individual. More often than otherwise the possessor of wealth, in his mansion is miserable and sees very few of the real enjoyments of life, while his neighbor, who toils for the bread that goes upon his plate and the scanty clothes he is able to supply to his wife and little ones, retires to his humble home in the evening refreshed by the glad smiles which greet him. Happy is the individual who can see good in everything he encounters, whose jovial face beams with delight when the sun rises, and who hops up to enjoy the day instead of groaning because he must rise and commences to worry as soon as he awakens.

The towns in Mississippi cannot afford to permit, through any neglect of sanitary precautions, any serious reappearance of sickness in the state. Since yellow fever has been practically stamped out of existence in Cuba, from whence it was always brought to our shore and then scattered over the territory tributary, a re-appearance of the disease in the South could only be credited to the neglect of our people. Today the people of this vast section of country are as free from yellow fever as are the people of the states lying along the Canadian border, and to do anything which would be in the least degree responsible for its coming upon us again with its ghastly tread, should be guarded against with extraordinary vigilance. When we get the business of the extermination of mosquitoes down to a fine point, now that the yellow fever is gone, the South will be by far the most desirable place to live on the American continent.

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